(*e*) What is the annual income from this market and the annual rent paid to the proprietor of the site ?

(*f*) Is the Municipal Council aware now that the site itself and the surrounding places are on a low level and water-logged ?

(*g*) Will the Government be pleased to direct the Municipal Council to have this market removed to a better site without affecting the convenience of the public and to provide it with all up-to-date arrangements and to have the market ever kept clean ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The market is a much frequented one and is held at a place taken on lease by the Municipality. It is reported that it is not kept in an insanitary condition. There is a special conservancy staff for this market.

(*b*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) There was no formal deputation or any written complaint. A few people went to the Municipal Council and complained of the excess fees levied by the toll contractor, but were unable to give any specific instances. The Municipal Council have deputed the Health Officer to make surprise visits to the market to ascertain the truth of the allegation.

(*e*) The income for 1100 was Rs. 3,615-12-0. The rent paid for the site is Rs. 60 per annum.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) The matter is under correspondence between the Government and the Municipality.

Appointment of Women in the Office of the Inspectress of Girls' Schools.

35. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): With reference to the answer furnished during the last session of the Council to question No. 497 (*c*), will the Government be pleased to state whether they have called for a report as to why the applications of women for appointment as clerks were rejected ? If so, will they kindly lay a copy of the same on the table ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, a copy* of the report is laid on the table.

Report of the University Committee.

36. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state what action they have taken on the report of the Travancore University Committee ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No action has been taken.

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* *Vide* Appendix II—page 47.

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Appendix II.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 35.**

No. 1074/1103.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
Trivandrum, 11-7-1926.

From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Travancore.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government.

Subject :—Council questions.

Reference :—Your letter Inter. R. O. C. No. 62 of 26/Education, dated 7-7-26.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that, as regards the employment of women as clerks, the Inspectress of Girls' Schools has stated that the typist's post is not suitable for a woman as the typist has to accompany her on circuit where a woman-clerk would experience difficulties in finding lodging whereas a man-clerk occupies one of the out-houses of the Travellers' Bungalow or camp-shed and in some places has not even this accommodation and that in the case of ordinary clerks' posts there would be some difficulty in having a mixed staff such as would be necessary for some time to come, but that the experiment might be tried when opportunities occur provided that married women are not entertained.

I agree with the Inspectress.

I have etc.,
R. KRISHNASWAMI AIYAR,
Ag. Director of Public Instruction,

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